UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AMARILLO DIVISION

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JOINT REPORT ON STATUS OF SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS

As required by the Court's Original Rule 16 Scheduling Order, the parties file their Joint Report on Status of Settlement Negotiations. In support, the Parties would state as follows:

- 1. Because discovery is in its early stages, the parties have not engaged in substantial settlement negotiations. The parties believe that such negotiations will prove more fruitful once discovery is substantially complete.
- 2. The parties will approach settlement negotiations in good faith and will consider alternative dispute resolution options such as mediation.

Respectfully submitted,

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